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SUBJ: PRESIDENTS PEREZ AND LOPEZ CALL FOR SPECIAL ANTI-TERRORISM

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BEGIN SUMMARY. AT THE CONCLUSION OF THEIR MEETING DECEMBER
21 VENEZUELAN PRESIDENT CARLOS ANDRES PEREZ AND COLOMBIAN
PRESIDENT ALFONZO LOPEZ MICHELSEN ISSUED A JOINT STATEMENT
CALLING FOR A SPECIAL UNGA SESSION TO ANALYZE THE "GROWING
LACK OF SECURITY" AND TO APPROVE A TREATY TO STAMP OUT TERRORISM.
END SUMMARY.

AN INFORMED TRANSLATION OF THE TEXT OF THE JOINT STATEMENT
ISSUED BY THE VENEZUELAN MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS FOLLOWS:

1. QUOTE: THE PRESIDENTS OF VENEZUELA, MR. CARLOS ANDRES
PEREZ, AND OF COLOMBIA, DR. ALFONZO LOPEZ MICHELSEN, ON THE
OCCASION OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE COLOMBIAN- VENEZUELAN
FRONTIER IN THE GOAJIRA ON DECEMBER 21, 1975; IN RECOGNITION
OF THE TERRORIST ACTS THAT OCCURRED THE SAME DATE AT THE OPEC
HEADQUARTERS IN VIENNA AND IN CONSIDERATION OF REPEATED TERRORIST
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ACTS WHICH DURING RECENT TIMES HAVE PROFOUNDLY ALTERED THE NORMS

OF INTERNATIONAL CO-EXISTENCE AND THAT THE PROLIFERATION OF THESE ATTACKS HAVE DEGENERATED INTO A VERITABLE INDUSTRY OF VIOLENCE THAT SERVES A GROUP OF ADVENTURERS WHO ARE PROTECTED BY THE LACK OF INTERNATIONAL INSTRUMENTS AND AGREEMENTS THAT WOULD NEUTRALIZE AND CONDEMN THEM; IN CONSIDERATION THAT UNTIL A SINCERE UNDERSTANDING IS REACHED AMONG ALL COUNTRIES, WITHOUT EXCEPTION, ANY OF THEM WILL BE SUBJECT TO SUFFER THE CONSEQUENCES OF THIS SPECTACULAR AND CHAOTIC FORM OF DELINQUENCY WHOSE DESTRUCTIVE MANIA KNOWS NO LIMITS, HAVE AGREED TO PROPOSE FORMALLY TO THE UNITED NATIONS THE CONVENING OF A SPECIAL MEETING TO ANALYZE THE PRESENT GROWING LACK OF SECURITY AND TO APPROVE A TREATY WITH CONCRETE NORMS IN ORDER TO PREVENT A CONDEMN RAPIDLY AND SEVERELY ACTS OF TERRORISM. UNQUOTE.

2. IN OTHER COMMENT ON THE VIENNA INCIDENT OSWALDO ALVAREZ PAZ, PRESIDENT OF THE VENEZUELAN CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES AND A LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION COPEI PARTY, REPORTEDLY SAID IT IS "PROPITIOUS TO POINT OUT THAT, AT THE INTERNATIONAL LEVEL, A PERMANENT FORMULA SHOULD BE SOUGHT TO PUT A RADICAL END TO THIS GUERRILLA OR TERRORIST RASH." LEFTIST MAS DEPUTY FREDDY MUNOZ LABLED THE VIENNA INCIDENT AS "COUNTERPRODUCTIVE" AND "OF DOUBTFUL AND QUESTIONABLE FORM." SHLAUDEMAM

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